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**Governor assesses agricultural damage in southern Indiana**

INDIANAPOLIS (June 12, 2008) – Governor Mitch Daniels and Indiana Agriculture Director Andy Miller today surveyed agricultural areas across central and southern Indiana to assess damage and check on local recovery efforts.

The governor began the day in Columbus at Premier Ag Cooperative where he met with local farmers to discuss the extent of agricultural damage in the area. He then conducted an aerial assessment of flood damaged areas near Edinburgh before stopping at the farm of Jim and Anne Lankford in Martinsville to talk with them about damage they incurred.

Governor Daniels then traveled to the farm of Scott Lottes near Loogootee where he discussed recovery efforts with local farmers and state and federal agriculture officials. The governor concluded his day in Elnora where he met with local emergency management officials and Indiana National Guard Brigadier General David Harris to get an update on the current situation with the Bennington Levee. The governor also visited with citizens of Elnora who were impacted by the flooding.

For the latest information from state agencies about coordinated relief and recovery efforts as well as photos from the governor's trip and audio from his briefing are available here: [www.emergency.in.gov](http://www.emergency.in.gov).

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